FRANKLIN/FULTON COUNTY DRUG & ALCOHOL PROGRAM

# Helping Others Get Help: A Referral Guide for individuals seeking treatment for Alcohol and other Drug Problems



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# **Introduction**

The purpose of this guide is to assist individuals who may have a drug and/or alcohol problem (addiction or dependence) and those agencies assisting them.

# **The Organization**

The Franklin/Fulton County Drug & Alcohol Program (FFDA), also known by its state name of Single County Authority (SCA), is a county government agency responsible for the provision of alcohol, tobacco, and other drug (ATOD) abuse services and the distribution of funding to support those services in Franklin and Fulton Counties.

# Funding is used to:

- Provide prevention/education/intervention programs in the schools and the community
- Pay for the drug and/or treatment costs of U.S. citizens residing in Franklin and Fulton County who have no other source of funds for treatment.

# **Treatment Services**

A full range of treatment services are available for Franklin and Fulton County residents. Specialized services are available for clients with children, pregnant women, and co-occurring individuals. Preferential treatment services are given to pregnant women.

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# **Levels of Care**

Below are the different types of services that are provided by the SCA and are listed from least restrictive to most restrictive.

Outpatient Treatment- Regularly scheduled counseling sessions, either individual or group setting, totaling no more than five hours per week.

**Intensive Outpatient**– Similar to outpatient, but takes place at least three days per week for up to ten hours.

Partial Hospitalization – Services providing more structure than outpatient counseling, but who do not require 24-hour care. It offers longer term, more intensive counseling, at least three days per week for at least ten hours.

Halfway House– Assists clients in making the transition from a residential rehab into society. Clients live in a supportive, home -like setting and work on life skills while maintaining a drug-free life. Clients may have jobs and attend support group meetings. Typically lasts three to six months.

**Residential Rehabilitation**– Professionally-directed 24-hour care, usually for one to three months in duration. The client lives at the facility while participating in individual and group activities designed to "rehabilitate" the client back to a drug-free life.

Inpatient Detoxification - 24-hour care to clients during the period of time that the body is eliminating the intoxicating substance from the body. Counseling and support are provided to the client experiencing withdrawal. The duration of this service is usually two to seven days after which the client is referred to residential rehabilitation, halfway house, or outpatient counseling.



# How to Make a Referral

If Franklin/Fulton County Drug & Alcohol Program funds are being requested to help the client pay for treatment, refer the client directly to a FFDA contracted outpatient provider or to FFDA for an assessment. A list of the contracted providers and their contact information is available on page 7 of this brochure.

For after hours detox services call the White Deer Run Call Center at 1-866-769-6822.

# **Entry Into the Drug & Alcohol System**

Contracted outpatient providers and FFDA case managers are the "gatekeepers" for the SCA. They conduct drug and alcohol screening, level of care assessments, provide referral services into other modalities of treatment, and know the details of the system to acquire Franklin/Fulton Drug & Alcohol Program funds.

## **Medical Assistance Clients**

Any individual with a Medical Assistance (MA) card or whom is eligible for a MA card, should be referred to a Franklin/Fulton Drug & Alcohol Program contracted facility, which accepts MA. These are service providers as listed on page 7 with an asterisk.



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## **Individuals with Private Health Insurance**

Individuals should contact the insurance company to request referral to the appropriate agency. If the insurance company does not pay for all drug and alcohol treatment services, the client is eligible for County D&A funds. He/she can be referred to FFDA or a contracted outpatient provider.

## **Individuals with an HMO**

The client must be referred through their own HMO physician in order for the HMO to reimburse the approved HMO treatment provider. County funding is not involved. Please follow the HMO procedures and policies to obtain services.

#### **Incarcerated Individual**

If a client is in the Franklin County Jail, they should talk to the counselor assigned to their block. The counselors are aware of the proper procedure for accessing services while incarcerated.

If a client is incarcerated outside of Franklin or Fulton Counties, please refer them to a contracted outpatient provider upon their release.

# **Residency Requirement**

In order to be eligible for Franklin/Fulton Drug & Alcohol County Program funding, the client must be residing in either Franklin or Fulton County.



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# All clients need to be assessed

Those seeking drug and alcohol treatment need to be assessed to determine which level of care meets their individual needs.

# All clients must have a liability completed

The liability is a sliding fee scale; the more the client/family makes, the more the client/family contributes to the drug and alcohol treatment services. A monthly dollar amount is identified, which the client must contribute for treatment services. The County Drug and Alcohol funding is the "payer of last resort." All other sources must first be utilized before county funds are considered. Other sources include Medical Assistance, Veterans Administration, insurance coverage and private pay.

### All clients must apply for Medical Assistance

Medical Assistance funds most treatment costs, allowing the SCA to fund the treatment of more individuals. Thus, every client not working must apply for Medical Assistance.

## **Compliance with treatment**

Drug and alcohol treatment is voluntary. However, for those individuals involved with probation, parole or child welfare agencies, there may be consequences imposed by the referring agency if they do not comply with treatment.

## **Release of Information**

Due to confidentiality laws, a client must sign a release of information in order for the referral agency or any other agency that the individual is involved with, to receive information about the client's progress in treatment services.

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# **Contracted Outpatient Providers**

Laurel Life (Manito, Inc.)\*
426 Phoenix Drive, Chambersburg
717-261-9833

Pyramid Healthcare \*
455 Phoenix Drive, Chambersburg
717-261-9100

Roxbury Treatment Center \*
25 Penn Craft Avenue,
Suite 312, Chambersburg
717-264-2400

PA Counseling \*
75 South Main Street, Chambersburg
717-261-1426

# **Fulton County**

C&S Reed Consulting 292 Buchanan Trail- G McConnellsburg, PA 17233 717-414-9695

\* Indicates providers who accept Medical Assistance



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